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Ref: 3135-22956

Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
Post Office Box 94275
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4275

Re: Hearing Application
Lower Hosston Transitional Sand, Reservoir A
Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A
CLEAR BRANCH FIELD
Jackson Parish, Louisiana
Applicant: Cabot Oil & Gas Corp.

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, application is hereby made on behalf of **Cabot Oil & Gas Corp.** for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Lower Hosston Transitional Sand, Reservoir A and the Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A in the Clear Branch Field, Jackson Parish, Louisiana.

LOWER HOSSTON TRANSITIONAL SAND, RESERVOIR A

1. To create five (5) single drilling and production units of approximately 640 acres each for the Lower Hosston Transitional Sand, Reservoir A, designated as the L HOSS TR RA SUC, L HOSS TR RA SUD, L HOSS TR RA SUE, L HOSS TR RA SUF and L HOSS TR RA SUG, Clear Branch Field, Jackson Parish, Louisiana, all as shown more particularly on the attached plat;

2. That the spacing provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 939-B, effective August 9, 1978 should be amended to allow any future wells drilled to the Lower Hosston Transitional Sand, Reservoir A, to be located no closer than 330 feet from the existing unit lines and no closer than 1,500 feet between unit wells (including substitute and alternate unit wells) on competitive units.

3. The Lower Hosston Transitional Sand, Reservoir A in Clear Branch Field, Jackson Parish, Louisiana was previously defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 989-B, effective August 9, 1978.

COTTON VALLEY ZONE, RESERVOIR A

1. To create seven (7) single drilling and production units of approximately 640 acres each for the Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A, designated as the CV RA SUA, CV RA SUB, CV RA SUC, CV RA SUD, CV RA SUE, CV RA SUF and CV RA SUG, Clear Branch Field, Jackson Parish, Louisiana, all as shown more particularly on the attached plat;

2. That any wells drilled to the Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A, to be located no closer than 330 feet from the existing unit lines and no

closer than 1,500 feet between unit wells (including substitute and alternate unit wells) on competitive units.

3. The Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A in Clear Branch Field, Jackson Parish, Louisiana is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing zone encountered between the measured depths of 11,175 feet and 14,920 feet in the Anadarko Petroleum (formerly Crystal Oil & Land Co.)-Davis Brothers No. 1 Well located in Section 16, Township 16 North, Range 2 West, Jackson Parish, Louisiana.

FOR THE ABOVE ZONE AND SAND

1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the said units;

2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation;

3. To find that, except to the extent contrary to the order granted by the Commissioner of Conservation in connection with the hearing held on this application, the provisions of Office of Conservation Order Nos. 989-B and 989-B-1, shall remain in full force and effect;

4. To consider such other matters relating to the subject reservoirs as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the public hearing.

In compliance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, a pre-application conference was held in Lafayette, Louisiana on September 29, 2004. Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a list of the names and addresses of the parties who were in attendance at that conference. The conference was opened by Mr. B. J. Duplantis. Mr. Leon Comeaux of Leon Comeaux & Associates presented the plan of applicant. Questions were asked and answered. It is anticipated that there will be no opposition at the public hearing on this matter. Upon receipt of the legal notice in the captioned matter, the notice will be posted, published and mailed in accordance with Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof are plats outlining the Lower Hosston Transitional Sand, Reservoir A and Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A, Clear Branch Field, Jackson Parish, Louisiana, and a list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties to whom this notice is being sent. It is hereby certified that a reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties.

A copy of the list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties is not being mailed to those parties along with this application. Should any such party desire a copy of this list, however, we will be glad to provide one upon request.

Any pertinent data relating to the proposed unit can be obtained, AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY, from Mr. Leon Comeaux of Leon Comeaux & Associates, P. O. Box 53922, Lafayette, La 70508 (337) 233-9839.

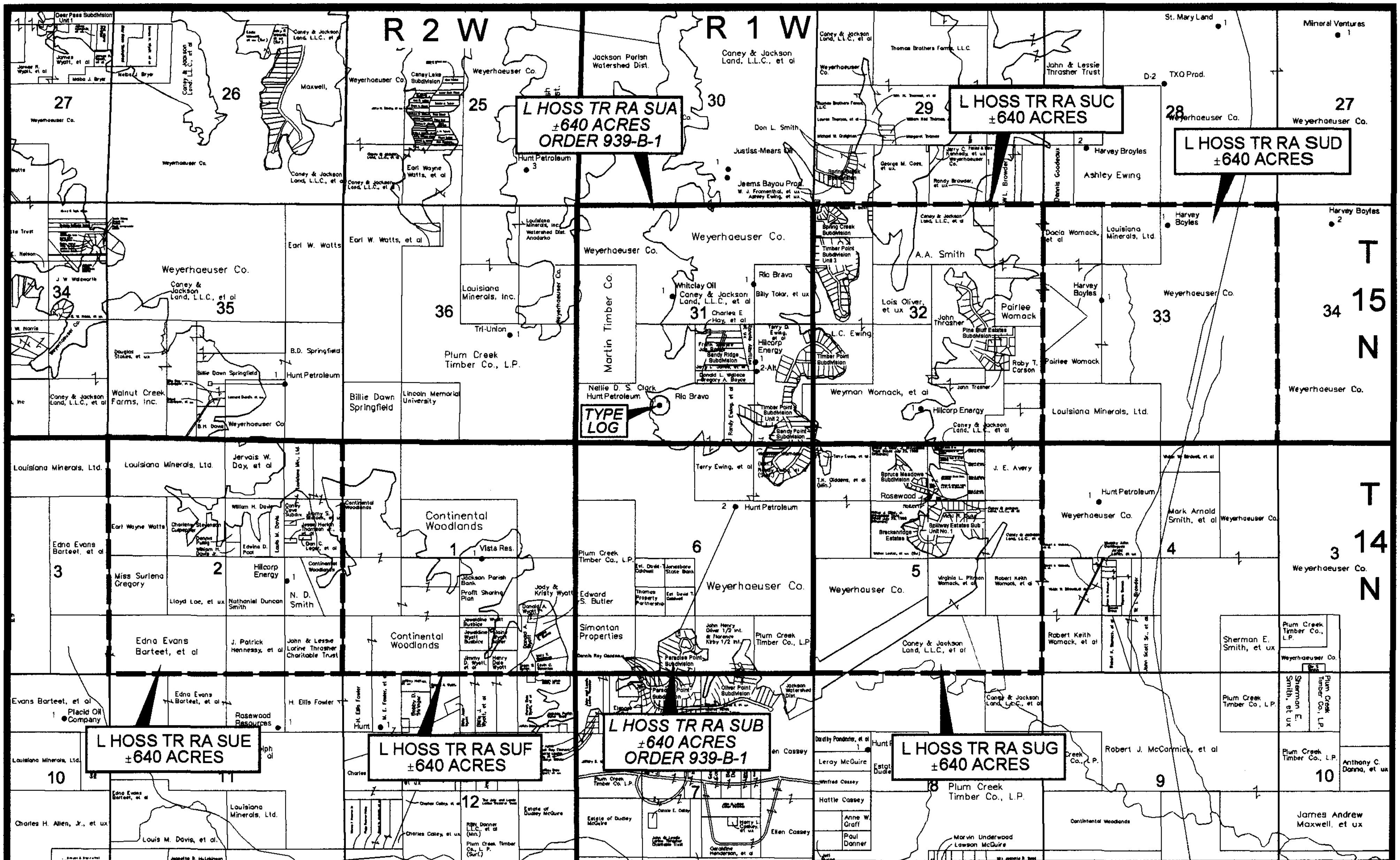
Finally, there is enclosed herewith our check on behalf of the applicant in the amount of $1,510.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

B. J. Duplantis

BJD/ht
Attachments
cc: Mr. Jim Broussard
District Manager, Office of Conservation

All Interested Owners, Represented Parties and
Interested Parties and parties on attendance lists



CLEAR BRANCH FIELD
JACKSON PARISH, LOUISIANA

PROPOSED UNITS
LOWER HOSSTON TRANSITIONAL SAND

0 3000' 6000'

DATE:

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GULF COAST REGION - HOUSTON, TX.

EXHIBIT NO. DOCKET NO.
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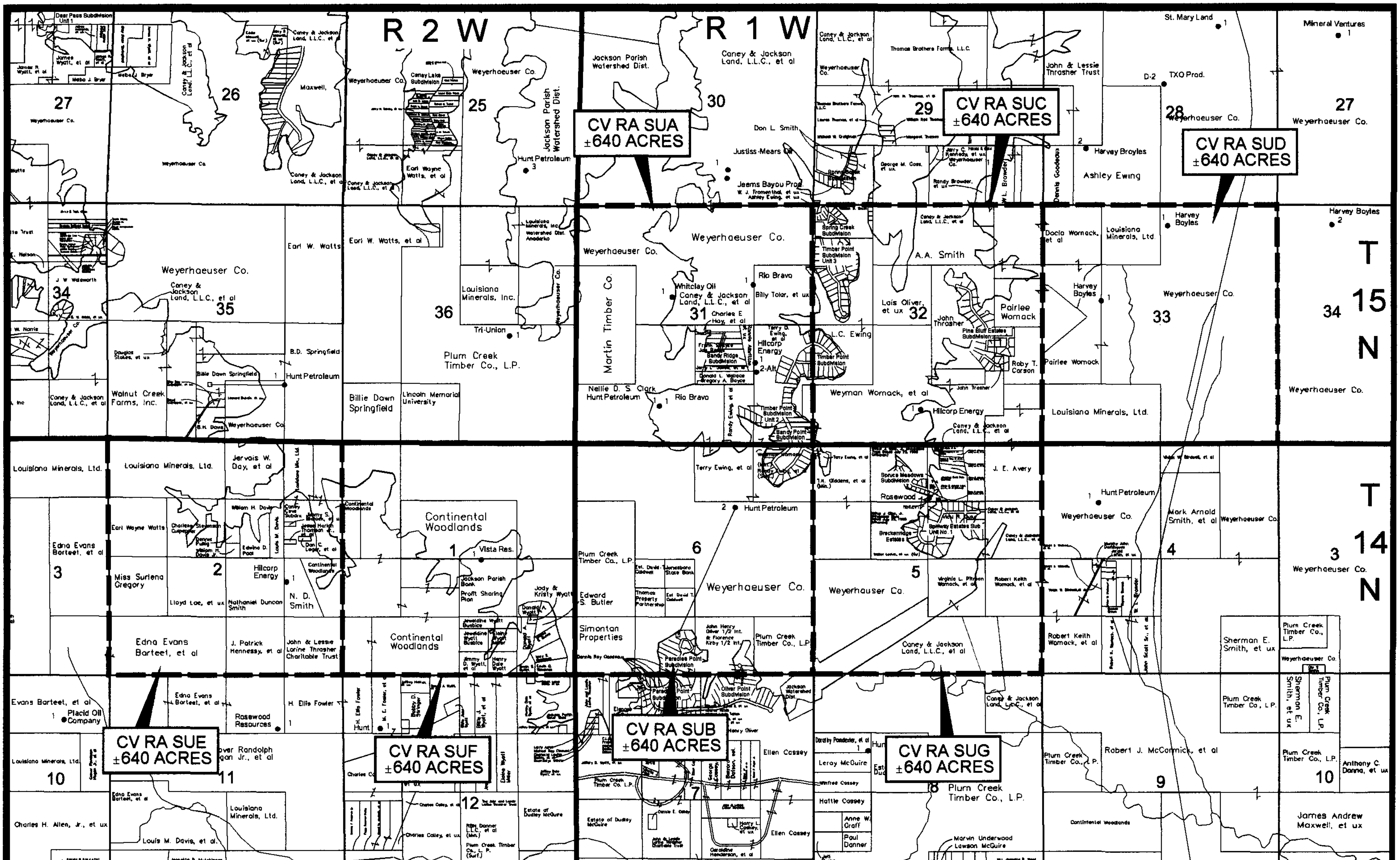
Witness: Leon Comeaux



CLEAR BRANCH FIELD
JACKSON PARISH, LOUISIANA

PROPOSED UNITS
COTTON VALLEY ZONE

0 3000' 6000'

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